A COPY OF A LETTER FROM THE MEMBERS *OF BOTH HOVSES* Assembled at OXFORD, TO THE *EARLE OF ESSEX*, Dated the 27. of *January*, 1643.

WITH

The names of those who Signed it, desiring *a Treaty of* PEACE.

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My Lord,

HIS Majesty having by His Proclamation of the 22. of *December* (upon the occasion of the Invasion threatned, and in part begun by some of His Subjects of *Scotland*) summon'd all the Members of both Houses of Parliament to attend Him here at *Oxford:* We whose names are under written are here met and assembled in obedience to those His Majesties commands. His Majesty was pleased to invite us in the said Proclamation by these gratious expressions; [That His Subjects should see how willing he was to receive advice for the preservation of the Religion, Lawes and safety of the Kingdom, and as far as in Him lay to restore it to it's former Peace & security, (his cheife and only end) from those whom they had trusted, though he could not receive it, in the place where He appoynted.] This most gracious invitation hath not only been made good unto us, but seconded & heightened by such unquestionable demonstrations of the deep & Princely sense which possesses His Royall heart of the miseries & calamities of His poore Subjects in this unnaturall War, & of his most entire & passionate affecti-

ons, to redeem them from that sad & deplorable condition, by all waies possibly consistent either with His Honour, or with the future safety of the Kingdom, that, as it were impiety to question the sincerity of them, so were it great want of duty and faithfulnesse in us, (His Majesty having vouchsafed to declare, that He did call us to be witnesses of His actions, & privy to his intentions) should we not testifie and witnesse to all the world, the assurance we have of the piety & sincerity of Both; We being most entirely satisfied of this truth, We cannot but confesse, that, amidst our highest afflictions in the deep & piercing sense of the present miseries and desolations of our Country, and those further dangers threatned from *Scotland*, We are at length erected to some cheerfull and comfortable thoughts, that possibly we may yet (by Gods mercy, if his justice have not determined this Nation for it's sinnes, to totall ruine & desolation) hope to be happy Instruments of our Countries redemption, from the miseries of War, & restitutiō to the blessings of peace; And We being desirous to beleive your Lo^p (howsoever ingaged) a person likely to be sensibly touched with these considerations, have thought fit to invite you to that part in this blessed work, which is only capable to repaire all our misfortunes, & to boye up the Kingdom from ruine; That is, by conjuring you, by all

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the obligations that have power upon Honour, Conſcience, or publique Piety, that laying to heart, as we do, the inwardly bleeding condition of your Country, and the outward more menacing deſtruction by a forraigne Nation, upon the very poynt of invading it, you will cooperate with us to it's preſervation, by truly repreſenting to, & faithfully and induſtriouſly promoving with thoſe by whom you are truſted, this following moſt ſincere & moſt earneſt deſire of ours; That they joyning with us in a right ſenſe of the paſt, preſent, and more threatning calamities of this deplorable Kingdom, ſome perſons be appoynted on either part, and a place agreed on, to treat of ſuch a Peace, as may yet redeem it from the brinke of deſolation.

This addreſſe we ſhould not have made, but that His Majeſties ſummons by which we are met, moſt gratiouſly proclaiming pardon to all without exception, is evidence enough, that his mercy and clemency can tranſcend all former provocations, and that He hath not only made us witneſſes of his Princely Intentions, but honoured us alſo with the name of being ſecurity for them.

God Almighty direct your Lordſhip, & thoſe to whom you ſhall preſent theſe our moſt reall deſires, in ſuch a courſe as may produce that happy Peace and ſettlement of the preſent diſtractions, which is ſo heartily deſired and prayed for by us, and which may make us

From Oxford the 27. January, 1643.

Your affectionate Friends

A List of the Lords and others who signed the Letter to the Earle of Essex, dated at *Oxford* 27. *Ianuary* 1643.

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Tho. Leedes.
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Will. Morgan.
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Will. Herbert.
William Price.
John Price.
R. Herbert.
Cha. Price.
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Rob. Crooke.
Herb. Price.
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